GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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IMPORT OF GARLIC
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is importing garlic despite its good yield in the country;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the quantum of garlic imported during 2004-05;

(d) whether the Government has formulated any action plan to ensure that garlic growers in the country get remunerative price of their produce; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a)to(c): Import of fresh garlic (Exim Code No.07032000) is free and subject to application of 100% customs duty. The Government has not imported any garlic.

(d)&(e): Promotion and development of horticultural crops including garlic is undertaken through various schemes. In order to ensure remunerative prices, Government goes in for procurement under the Market Intervention Scheme (MIS) in cases of a sharp fall in market prices.